

## CHAPTER 8

### ORGANIZATION

County hospitals are established under the authority of IC 16-22-2, and its predecessors. The composition of the governing bodies of the county hospitals is as follows:

IC 16-22-2-2 - Hospitals established under this article or in IC 16-12.1 (before its repeal on July 1, 1993) must have a board of four members, appointed by the county executive.

IC 16-22-2-3 - Hospitals operated under IC 16-12-1 (before its repeal on July 1, 1993) shall be under the control of a governing board consisting of eleven members. Three of the members must be members of the county executive.

IC 16-22-2-4 - Hospitals in a county having a population of more than 39,000 but less than 40,000 shall be under the control of a governing board consisting of seven members as follows:

- a. Three members must be the members of the county executive.
- b. Four members, one of whom may be a licensed physician, shall be appointed by the judge of the circuit court of the county.

According to the 1990 federal census the county having between 39,000 and 40,000 population is Knox County.

IC 16-22-2-5 - Hospitals in counties having a population of less than 20,000 shall be under the control of a governing body consisting of seven members as follows:

- a. Three members must be the members of the county executive.
- b. Two members shall be appointed by the county fiscal body, one of whom may be a licensed physician.
- c. Two members shall be appointed by the county executive.

According to the 1990 federal census the counties having a population of less than 20,000 which have a county hospital are Blackford, Fulton, Orange, Perry, Pulaski, Rush, Sullivan, Tipton, and Vermillion.

IC 16-22-2-6 - Hospitals established under Acts 1917, c.144, s.1 shall be under the control of a governing board consisting of four members appointed by the county executive. One of the members may be a licensed physician.

IC 16-22-2-7 - A hospital governing board of four members in existence on September 2, 1971 may petition the county executive to increase the size of the board to five, six, or seven members.

IC 16-23-1-3 - A hospital operated as a city hospital under IC 16-23-1 shall be under the control of a governing board consisting of seven members as follows:

- a. Three residents of the city where the city hospital is located.
- b. Three residents of the county living outside the corporate limits of the city.
- c. One member who may reside either inside or outside the city.